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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

1. Applicant's arguments, filed 3/25/2008, have been considered but are not persuasive.
2. Applicant argues that neither Carpini et al. nor Enoki et al. teach the switch-over message.

In response, the Examiner respectfully disagrees.

In para. [0014] of Carpini, "re-routing data"; in para. [0047], "response to a signal indicative of a fault ... to discover a suitable secondary path"; in para. [0051], "divert data"; and further in para. [0088], "signal the segment head switching router to establish a secondary communication path around the fault", in para. [0089], "transmit an appropriate signal to the second switching router to perform the required switching", they all teach the switch-over message – re-route; signal to discover a suitable secondary path; divert data; signal the segment head switching router to establish a secondary communication path.

The examiner did not abandon the para. [0047] in last Office Action, and only quoted further (more) paragraphs for the interpretation.

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Examiner, Art Unit 2616